

Attorney Docket No.: 366.04PATENTREMARKS

Claims 1-15 and 27-40 are currently pending. Claims 1-3 have been cancelled. Claims 16-26 were withdrawn. Claims 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 14 and 15 have been amended.

In the November 3, 2005 Office Action, the Examiner allowed claims 27-40. The applicants thank the Examiner for this allowance. The Examiner rejected claims 1-3, which have now been cancelled rendering this rejection moot. Claims 4 and 12 have been rewritten in independent form by adding of the limitations of claim 1. Claims 5, 8 and 9 were amended to change their dependency from claim 1 to claim 4. Claims 6, 7, 10 and 11 already depend from claim 4. Claims 14 and 15 were amended to change their dependency from claim 1 to claim 12. Claim 13 depends from claim 12.

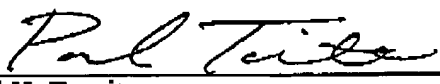
In view of the Examiner's earlier restriction requirement, the applicant retains the right to present claims 16-26 in a divisional application. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowability be issued in this case.

The Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned if there are any questions or comments at (415) 705-6386. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any underpayment of fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 04-0822.

Respectfully submitted,  
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